

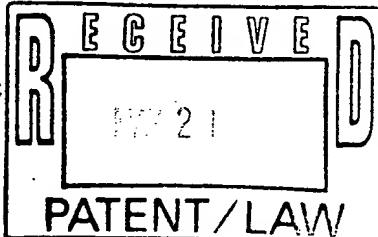


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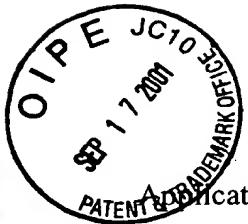
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1. An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application; and
2. A return copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted.

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The documents submitted complete the filing of the above patent application and justify the filing date of March 9, 2001. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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